



Flathead Conservation District
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CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE: Chairman Ronald Buentemeier called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the conference room.

Board members present: Ronald Buentemeier, Chairman; Pete Woll, Vice Chairman; Dean Sirucek, Supervisor; John Ellis, Supervisor; Verdell Jackson, Supervisor; being a quorum of the Board.

Board members not in attendance: Camisha Sawtelle, Secretary/Treasurer. Absence is excused. Supervisor Mark Siderius came in late at 8:27 PM.

Also in attendance were: Valerie Kurth, Ginger Kauffman and Kari Musgrove, FCD staff; Leo Rosenthal & Kenny Breidinger, MFWP; Bill Vergin; Cynthia Forrest; Davar Gardner; Jamie Stark, Lincoln Electric; Stephanie Reynolds, 48 North; John Hanson; Roger Noble, Applied Water; David Ruby; David Radatti, Mindful Designs.

MINUTES: Dean Sirucek made a motion “to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2015, business meeting as presented.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. MACD 2015 convention Resolutions #15-1 & #15-2
2. September 30, 2015 issue of MACD’s “The Montana Conservationist”
3. Comments on the Iron Surface Water Quality Study for Otter Creek are due by 5:00 PM, October 30, 2015. Draft document available at <http://deq.mt.gov>
4. Tally Lake Ranger District and FNF are hosting an open house to provide information on the “Whitefish Municipal Watershed Fuels Reduction Project”, October 21, 2015, 4:30 – 7:30 PM, Whitefish Community Center, 121 E. 2nd Street.
5. USDA publication “Inside Agroforestry”
6. Clark Fork River Basin Task Force “Water Supply Reports”
7. MACD By-Laws to discuss at convention
8. Rosebud CD is hosting a Soil Health workshop, December 2-3, Forsyth. Contact Bobbi Vannattan 206-346-7333 ext. 101.
9. Whitefish Planning Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 6:00 PM, Whitefish City Council Chambers, 1005 Baker Ave., Whitefish.
10. Little Beaver CD is hosting a Range Workshop, November 23. Contact 406-778-2217 Ext. 3

FINANCIAL: The following bills were reviewed:

1. Byte Savvy \$45.00
2. Flathead Beacon \$528.00
3. MACDEO \$75.00
4. Mountain States Leasing – Kalispell \$1545.56
5. NACD \$750.00
6. Philip H. Crissman \$1937.50

Pete Woll made a motion “to approve the bills as presented.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Davar Gardner stated in 2012 he received a 310 permit for two culverts on Patrick Creek. He asked if he needed a 310 permit to lift and re-pack the culverts. Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier stated any work that is done on a perennial stream must have a 310 permit. Mr. Gardner will bring in an application. An on-site was set for Wednesday, October 21, 10:30 AM at the site.

310:

AT&T/MDOT, FL2015029, Deerlick Creek, revisit applic. & follow-up: Information questioning the project had been submitted to the district. Discussion held. Mark Siderius made a motion “to draft a letter to AT&T asking for clarification, details of the project and where work took place.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

BIGFORK HARBOR HOA, FL2015060, Swan River, bank stabilization: Discussion held. Pete Woll made a motion “to waive the on-site inspection and approve the application as submitted.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

FORREST, FL2015050, Evers Creek, utilities: Discussion held. Verdell Jackson made a motion “to approve the application with modifications per Verdell Jackson’s and Kenny Breidinger’s team member reports.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion held. Verdell Jackson made a motion “to waive the 15-day waiting period with concurrence by FWP.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

GLACIER VLG GREENS, FL2015057, unnamed pond, dredge/pond: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “this is not a project.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HANSON, FL2015054, Sickler Creek, dredging: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion “to approve the application with modifications per Dean Sirucek’s and Kenny Breidinger’s team member reports, with the addition of the straw bales.” Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HARDY, FL2015051, Stillwater River, bank stabilization: Discussion held. Mark Siderius made a motion “to table pending further information.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Further discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “to send a letter to Glacier

Stone Company, along with a copy of the 310-law, stating some of their operation may be imposing upon the 310-law." Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

J&S INVESTMENTS, FL2015058, Unnamed, foot bridge: An on-site inspection was set for Thursday, October 29, 9:00 AM at the site.

JOHNSON, FL2015044, Fisher River, culvert: Discussion held. Verdell Jackson made a motion "to approve the application with modifications per Verdell Jackson's and Kenny Breidinger's team member reports." Mark Siderius seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion held. Verdell Jackson made a motion "to waive the 15-day waiting period." Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried with two NO votes.

KELLEY, FL2014065, Flathead River, permit extension request: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion "to approve a one-year permit extension." John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

LIRA LLC, FL2015062, Whitefish River, bldg./dock/ret walls/rvr rest etc.: An on-site inspection was set for Wednesday, October 21, 1:00 PM at Mindful Designs office.

MAYPORT HARBOR HOA, FL2015059, Flathead River, dredge: An on-site inspection was set for Thursday, October 22, 1:00 PM at the site.

NOBLE, FL2015053, Bowser Spring Creek, irrigation structure: Discussion held. Verdell Jackson made a motion "to approve the application as submitted per Verdell Jackson's and Kenny Breidinger's team member reports." Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Verdell Jackson made a motion "to waive the 15-day waiting period with concurrence by FWP." Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

OLSON, FL2015046, Swan River, replace docks & walkway: Discussion held. Pete Woll made a motion "to approve the application as submitted." Mark Siderius seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

OURS LAND, FL2015047, Flathead River, bk stabil/stairs/dock/ramp: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion "to approve the application with modifications per Dean Sirucek's and Kenny Breidinger's team member reports." Mark Siderius seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

SIDERIUS, FL2015055, Ashley Creek, fencing: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion "to approve the application with modifications per Dean Sirucek's and Kenny Breidinger's team member reports." Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried with Mark Siderius abstaining.

VERGIN, FL2015052, Ashley Creek, bridge: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion "to approve the application with modifications per Dean Sirucek's and Kenny Breidinger's team member reports. The 15-day waiting period is waived with concurrence by FWP." John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

WILTSE, FL2015049, Unnamed, culvert: Discussion held. Pete Woll made a motion “to approve the application with modifications per Pete Woll’s and Leo Rosenthal’s team member reports.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

WOLLNER, FL2015056, Flathead River, path/stairs: An on-site inspection was set for Wednesday, October 21, 3:00 PM at the site.

ZIEHL, FL2013063, Swan River, permit modification request: Discussion held. Pete Woll made a motion “to approve the permit modification request submitted 10/7/2015 by Applied Water.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

TRUMBULL CREEK: Mark Siderius reported 124 & 318 permit extensions were received. A new floodplain permit application is ready to be submitted. Mark Siderius made a motion “to apply for the floodplain permit and pay the fees.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Checks were signed for Flathead County Planning & Zoning in the amount of \$380.00, and Flathead County GIS in the amount of \$75.00. Land ownership will be re-checked.

MATTERS OF THE BOARD/STAFF

- **MACD CONVENTION:** Auction & Resolutions
- **EDUCATION GRANT:** Kari Musgrove reported the applicant has submitted a request to change allocation of the grant funds. This will be placed on the business meeting agenda.
- **EMAIL FROM DRNC RE: CONCRETE BARRIERS**
- **FLOODPLAIN PERMITTING PROCESS:** Valerie Kurth will forward information to Karl Christians, DNRC, regarding withdrawn 310 permit applications due to expense of Floodplain permitting.
- **310 FOLLOW-UPS**

The next business meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 26, 2015, 7:00 P.M. in the conference room of the USDA building at 133 Interstate Lane, Kalispell.

ADJOURNMENT: Dean Sirucek made a motion “to adjourn.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Submitted By: Ginger Kauffman, Administrator

Minutes approved by FCD Board motion made on:

__10/26/2015__ __Ronald Buentemeier__ __Chairman_____
(Date) (Signature) (Title - Chairman, Vice-Chairman, etc.)